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In the Matter of the Redomestication of)	Docket No. 97A-236-INS
NEWPORT INSURANCE COMPANY, from the State of Arizona to the State of California.))))	ORDER APPROVING REDOMESTICATION

Newport Insurance Company ("Newport"), NAIC No.

24848, an Arizona domestic property and casualty insurer, has applied to the Director of Insurance for the State of Arizona ("Director") for approval to change its domicile from Arizona to California. After reviewing the filings, correspondence, and information provided to the Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department"), the Director makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law and issues the following order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Newport is a property and casualty insurer incorporated under the laws of the State of Arizona, and authorized to transact the business of insurance in Arizona since April 16, 1964.
- 2. On September 29, 1997, Newport filed its application to redomesticate from Arizona to California (the "Application") with the Department pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §20-231 (redomestication provisions).
- 3. Newport has filed all required documents with the Department for review in connection with the proposed redomestication including, but not limited to, proposed Articles of Reorganization/Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation

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evidencing the intention to redomesticate from the the State of Arizona to the State of California. All documents submitted by Newport in support of the Application are satisfactory.

- 4. Newport has been duly authorized to transact the business of insurance in the State of California as a foreign admitted insurer.
- 5. On December 16, 1997, California's Senior Staff Counsel, Arlene Joyce issued a letter certifying that the California Department of Insurance has no objection to the redomestication upon compliance with the provisions of California's statutory and regulatory requirements. (See letter attached as Exhibit "A").
- 6. The redomestication will not result in any changes in Newport's officers, directors, assets, business or in any other manner other than the change in state of domiclie and home office address.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Director concludes that:

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties to this transaction.
- 2. The proposed transfer of domicile of Newport from the State of Arizona to the State of California is not contrary to the interests of Newport's policyholders.
- 3. Upon effectuation of the redomestication, Newport will be qualified for continued licensure in Arizona as a foreign admitted insurer.

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IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

The redomestication of Newport from the State of Arizona to the State of California is approved, subject to receipt by the Arizona Department of Insurance of the approval of the California Department of Insurance.

- Upon the date such redomestication is effectuated, and the filing of appropriate documents, Newport's certificate of authority in Arizona shall be amended to no longer reflect Newport as a domestic insurer, but rather to reflect Newport as an admitted foreign insurer as of such date.
- 3. The records of the Department will, upon effectuation of the redomestication, reflect Newport as the continuing corporation of the corporation formed in Arizona, but with a change of current domicile from Arizona to California.
- Newport, upon effectuating the redomestication, is entitled to the release of its statutory deposit in the par value sum of Seven Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$720,000), which shall be released to Newport as an excess deposit in accordance with ARS §20-581, et seq. after the Department has received the following: (1) payment of fees and examination expenses, (2) a copy of its Articles of Reorganization/Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation as filed with and certified by the Arizona Corporation Commission, and (3) a notice of Statutory Deposit Release (Form E126).

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December 16, 1997

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Attention: A. Lee Books Senior Analyst

Re:

Redomestication of Newport Insurance Company (NAIC #24848)

from Arizona to California

Dear M. Books,

This will confirm that California has no objection to the redomestication of Newport Insurance Company from Arizona to California. A new Certificate of Authority will be issued within the next ten days showing the state of domicile as California, effective December 31, 1997.

Please feel free to telephone me at (415) 538-4424 if you have any questions. Or, you may send E-Mail to me addressed as follows: joycea@insurance.ca.gov

Cordially,

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